

# REANALYSES OF ANOMALOUS GRAVITATIONAL MICROLENSING EVENTS IN THE OGLE-III EARLY WARNING SYSTEM DATABASE WITH COMBINED DATA

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## ABSTRACT

We reanalyze microlensing events in the published list of anomalous events that were observed from the Optical Gravitational Lensing Experiment (OGLE) lensing survey conducted during the 2004–2008 period. In order to check the existence of possible degenerate solutions and extract extra information, we conduct analyses based on combined data from other survey and follow-up observation and consider higher-order effects. Among the analyzed events, we present analyses of eight events for which either new solutions are identified or additional information is obtained. We find that the previous binary-source interpretations of five events are better interpreted by binary-lens models. These events include OGLE-2006-BLG-238, OGLE-2007-BLG-159, OGLE-2007-BLG-491, OGLE-2008-BLG-143, and OGLE-2008-BLG-210. With additional data covering caustic crossings, we detect finite-source effects for six events including OGLE-2006-BLG-215, OGLE-2006-BLG-238, OGLE-2006-BLG-450, OGLE-2008-BLG-143, OGLE-2008-BLG-210, and OGLE-2008-BLG-513. Among them, we are able to measure the Einstein radii of three events for which multi-band data are available. These events are OGLE-2006-BLG-238, OGLE-2008-BLG-210, and OGLE-2008-BLG-513. For OGLE-2008-BLG-143, we detect higher-order effects induced by the changes of the observer’s position caused by the orbital motion of the Earth around the Sun. In addition, we present degenerate solutions resulting from the known close/wide or ecliptic degeneracy. Finally, we note that the masses of the binary companions of the lenses of OGLE-2006-BLG-450 and OGLE-2008-BLG-210 are in the brown-dwarf regime.

*Key words:* binaries: close – gravitational lensing: micro

## 1. INTRODUCTION

Light curves of gravitational microlensing events are characterized by a smooth, symmetric, and non-repeating shape (Paczynski 1986). However, they often exhibit deviations from the standard form. The causes of the deviations include the binarity of either lensing objects (binary-lens events: Mao & Paczyński 1991) or lensed source stars (binary-source events: Griest & Hu 1992). Deviations can also arise due to higher-order effects caused by the finite size of a source star (finite-source effect: Nemiroff & Wickramasinghe 1994) and the positional changes of the observer (parallax effect: Gould 1992), lens (lens-orbital effect: Albrow et al. 2000; Park et al. 2013), and source star (xallarap effect: Alcock et al. 2001) induced by the orbital motions of the observer (Earth), lens, and source star, respectively.

Analyzing anomalies in lensing light curves is important because it provides useful information about the lenses and lensed stars. By analyzing the light curve of a binary-lens event, one can obtain information about the mass ratio between the lens components. Analyzing the light curve of a binary-source event yields the flux ratio between the binary-source components. If finite-source and parallax effects are simultaneously detected, one can uniquely determine the physical

parameters of the lens including the mass and distance to the lens (Gould 1992).

However, interpretation of anomalous lensing events is difficult due to various reasons. One important reason is the degeneracy problem where lensing solutions based on different interpretations result in a similar anomaly pattern. For example, it is known that binary-lens and binary-source solutions can often result in a similar anomaly pattern (Gaudi 1998). Even if an anomaly is identified to be caused by a binary lens,  $\chi^2$  distributions in the space of the lensing parameters are usually complex due to the nonlinear dependence of lensing magnifications on the parameters and thus there often exist multiple local minima resulting in similar anomaly patterns.

For the correct interpretation of lensing event by resolving the degeneracy problem, dense and continuous coverage of lensing light curves is important. Good coverage data are also important in extracting extra information about lenses and lensed stars by detecting subtle deviations caused by higher-order effects. In order to obtain correct interpretations of events and maximize information about lens systems, therefore, it is important to test all possible causes of anomalies based on all available data.

In a series of papers (Jaroszyński et al. 2006, 2010; Skowron et al. 2007), the Optical Gravitational Lensing Experiment (OGLE: Udalski 2003) group published lists of anomalous lensing events in the OGLE-III Early Warning System (EWS) database that is collected from the lensing survey conducted during the 2004–2008 period (hereafter the “OGLE Anomaly Catalog”). They also presented solutions of the anomalous events based on binary-lens and binary-source interpretations.

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**Table 1**  
Events and Coordinates

Event	R.A. (J2000)	Decl. (J2000)	$\lambda$	$\beta$
OGLE-2006-BLG-215	17 <sup>h</sup> 59 <sup>m</sup> 06 <sup>s</sup> .63	−29°08′55″.7	269°80	−5°71
OGLE-2006-BLG-238/MOA-2006-BLG-26	17 <sup>h</sup> 57 <sup>m</sup> 11 <sup>s</sup> .66	−30°48′06″.0	269°39	−7°36
OGLE-2006-BLG-450	17 <sup>h</sup> 52 <sup>m</sup> 00 <sup>s</sup> .47	−31°07′36″.3	268°27	−7°70
OGLE-2007-BLG-159	17 <sup>h</sup> 54 <sup>m</sup> 41 <sup>s</sup> .68	−29°25′39″.5	268°84	−5°99
OGLE-2007-BLG-491	17 <sup>h</sup> 56 <sup>m</sup> 28 <sup>s</sup> .68	−32°13′15″.3	269°25	−8°78
OGLE-2008-BLG-143/MOA-2008-BLG-111	17 <sup>h</sup> 59 <sup>m</sup> 38 <sup>s</sup> .58	−28°41′34″.8	269°92	−5°25
OGLE-2008-BLG-210/MOA-2008-BLG-177	17 <sup>h</sup> 59 <sup>m</sup> 22 <sup>s</sup> .97	−27°42′30″.2	269°86	−4°27
OGLE-2008-BLG-513/MOA-2008-BLG-401	17 <sup>h</sup> 52 <sup>m</sup> 43 <sup>s</sup> .51	−30°51′33″.2	268°43	−7°43

**Table 2**  
Telescopes

Event	Telescopes
OGLE-2006-BLG-215	OGLE ( <i>I</i> ), CTIO ( <i>I</i> ), LOAO ( <i>I</i> ), Auckland ( <i>N</i> ), Danish ( <i>I</i> ), Boyden ( <i>I</i> )
OGLE-2006-BLG-238/MOA-2006-BLG-26	OGLE ( <i>I</i> ), MOA ( <i>R</i> ), CTIO ( <i>I</i> ), CTIO ( <i>V</i> ), LOAO ( <i>I</i> ), Wise ( <i>N</i> ), SAAO ( <i>I</i> ), Danish ( <i>I</i> ), Danish ( <i>V</i> ), Canopus ( <i>I</i> ), Boyden ( <i>I</i> ), Perth ( <i>I</i> ), FTN ( <i>R</i> ), LT ( <i>R</i> )
OGLE-2006-BLG-450	OGLE ( <i>I</i> ), SAAO ( <i>I</i> ), Danish ( <i>I</i> ), Canopus ( <i>I</i> ), LT ( <i>R</i> )
OGLE-2007-BLG-159	OGLE ( <i>I</i> ), CTIO ( <i>I</i> ), Auckland ( <i>R</i> ), Canopus ( <i>I</i> ), FCO ( <i>N</i> ), Perth ( <i>I</i> ), Boyden ( <i>I</i> ), Danish ( <i>I</i> ), VLO ( <i>N</i> )
OGLE-2007-BLG-491	OGLE ( <i>I</i> )
OGLE-2008-BLG-143/MOA-2008-BLG-111	OGLE ( <i>I</i> ), MOA ( <i>R</i> )
OGLE-2008-BLG-210/MOA-2008-BLG-177	OGLE ( <i>I</i> ), MOA ( <i>R</i> ), CTIO ( <i>I</i> ), CTIO ( <i>V</i> ), Wise ( <i>R</i> ), Bronberg ( <i>N</i> ), Canopus ( <i>I</i> ), Perth ( <i>I</i> ), SAAO ( <i>I</i> ), FTN ( <i>R</i> ), FTS ( <i>R</i> )
OGLE-2008-BLG-513/MOA-2008-BLG-401	OGLE ( <i>I</i> ), MOA ( <i>R</i> ), CTIO ( <i>I</i> ), CTIO ( <i>V</i> ), Kumeu ( <i>I</i> ), Palomar ( <i>I</i> ), Craigie ( <i>N</i> ), VLO ( <i>N</i> ), Bronberg ( <i>N</i> ), Auckland ( <i>R</i> ), CAO ( <i>N</i> ), FCO ( <i>N</i> ), Possum ( <i>N</i> ), SSO ( <i>N</i> ), Wise ( <i>R</i> ), Canopus ( <i>I</i> ), Perth ( <i>I</i> ), FTN ( <i>R</i> ), FTS ( <i>R</i> ), LT ( <i>R</i> )

**Notes.** OGLE: Warsaw 1.3 m, Las Campanas Observatory, Chile; MOA: 1.8 m, Mt. John Observatory, New Zealand; CTIO ( $\mu$ FUN): 1.3 m, Cerro Tololo Inter-American Observatory, Chile; Auckland ( $\mu$ FUN): 0.40 m, Auckland Observatory, New Zealand; FCO ( $\mu$ FUN): 0.36 m, Farm Cove Observatory, New Zealand; VLO ( $\mu$ FUN): 0.4 m, Vintage Lane Observatory, New Zealand; Bronberg ( $\mu$ FUN): 0.3 m, Bronberg Observatory, South Africa; Kumeu ( $\mu$ FUN): 0.36 m, Kumeu Observatory, New Zealand; Possum ( $\mu$ FUN): 0.36 m, Possum Observatory, New Zealand; Palomar ( $\mu$ FUN): 1.5 m, Palomar Observatory, California, USA; LOAO ( $\mu$ FUN): 1.0 m, Mt. Lemmon Observatory, Tucson, Arizona, USA; Wise ( $\mu$ FUN): 1.0 m, Wise Observatory, Israel; Perth ( $\mu$ FUN): 0.6 m, Perth Observatory, Australia; Boyden (PLANET): 1.5 m, Boyden Observatory, South Africa; SAAO (PLANET): 1.0 m, South African Astronomical Observatory, South Africa; Canopus (PLANET): 1.0 m, Canopus Hill Observatory, Tasmania, Australia; FTN (RoboNet): 2.0 m, Faulkes North, Hawaii; FTS (RoboNet): 2.0 m, Faulkes South, Australia; LT (RoboNet): 2.0 m, Liverpool Telescope, LaPalma, Spain; Danish (PLANET): 1.54 m Danish Telescope, European Southern Observatory, La Silla, Chile. The notation in the parentheses after each telescope denotes the filter used for observation. MOA-red band is a custom wide band where the bandwidth roughly corresponds to the sum of *R* and *I* bands. The filter notation “*N*” denotes that no filter is used.

In this work, we reanalyze the anomalous events in the OGLE Anomaly Catalog. We conduct a thorough search for local solutions in order to investigate possible degeneracy. For analyses based on better coverage of anomalies, we include additional data obtained from other survey and follow-up observations. In addition, we consider higher-order effects that were not considered in the previous analyses.

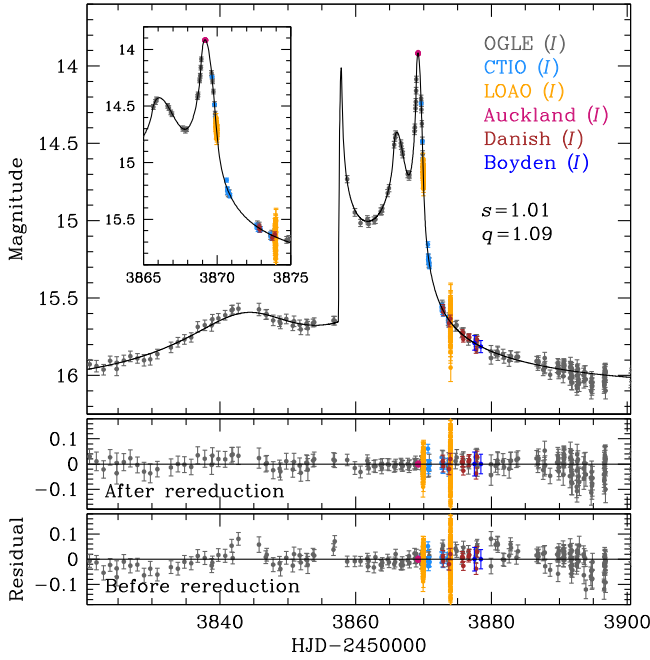
## 2. COMBINED DATA

Among the total of 68 events in the OGLE Anomaly Catalog, we conduct reanalyses of events for which the anomalies and overall light curves are well covered either by the OGLE data alone or with the addition of data from other survey and follow-up observations. Among the analyzed events, we present the results of eight events for which either new solutions are identified (five events) or additional information, such as the Einstein radius (three events) or the lens parallax (one event), is obtained.

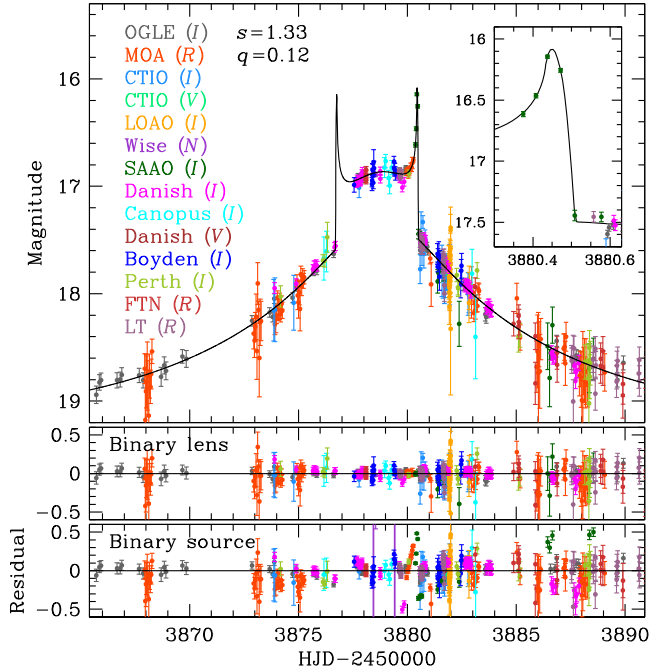
Table 1 shows the list of events analyzed in this work along with their equatorial and ecliptic coordinates. Table 2 shows

the data sets used in our analyses and the telescopes used for observation. Except for the event OGLE-2007-BLG-491, we use extra data in addition to the data from the OGLE survey. These additional data were taken from the survey conducted by the Microlensing Observations in Astrophysics (MOA: Bond et al. 2001; Sumi et al. 2003) group and the follow-up observation conducted by the Microlensing Follow-up Network ( $\mu$ FUN: Gould et al. 2006), Probing Lensing Anomalies NETwork (PLANET: Beaulieu et al. 2006), and RoboNet (Tsapras et al. 2009). We note that the OGLE data used in the OGLE Anomaly Catalog were based on the online data processed by automatic pipeline. In this work, we used new sets of data prepared by re-reducing the data that is optimized for individual events.

In Figures 1 through 8, we present the light curves of the events. Also presented are the best-fit models obtained from our analyses and the residuals from the models. For the case where new solutions are identified, we present two panels of residuals from the new and previous solutions. See more details in Section 4.



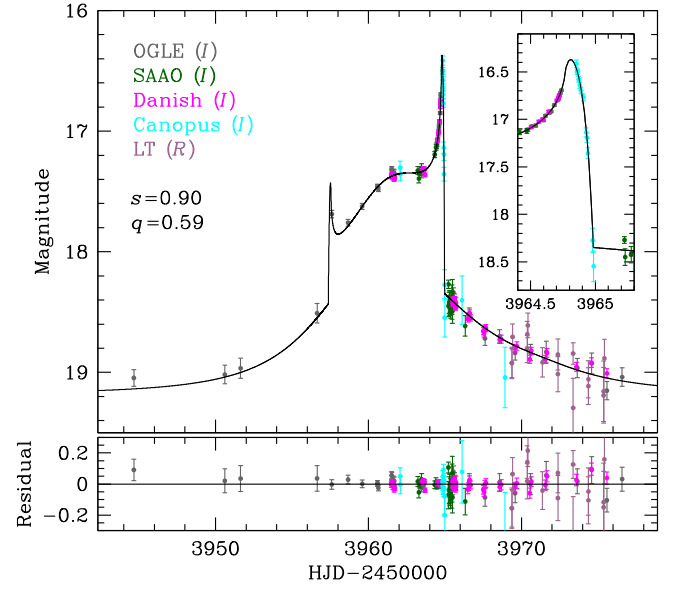
**Figure 1.** Light curve of OGLE-2006-BLG-215. The solid line is the best-fit model from our analysis. The two lower panels show the residuals of data sets before and after optimized re-reduction.



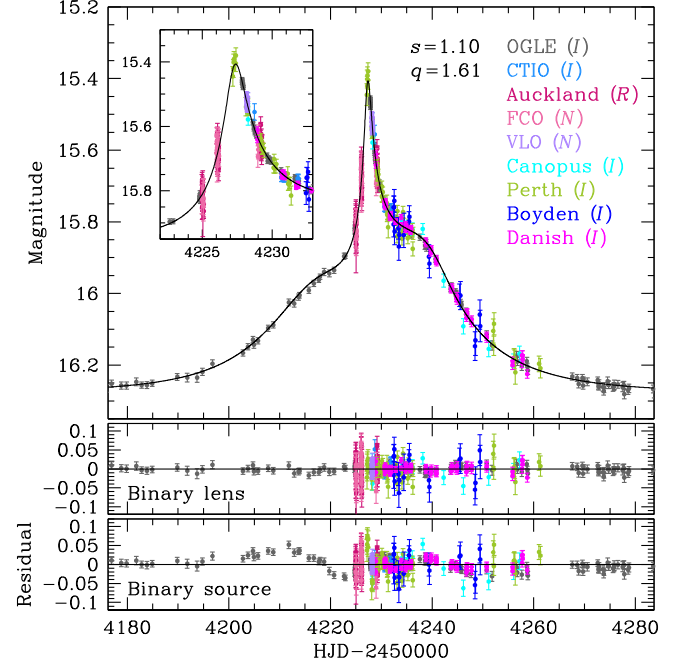
**Figure 2.** Light curve of OGLE-2006-BLG-238. The two lower panels show the residuals from the binary-lens and binary-source models. With additional data covering the caustic exit, finite-source effects are detected.

Data sets used for the analyses were processed using the photometry codes developed by the individual groups. Since the individual data sets were obtained using different telescopes, it is necessary to readjust their error bars. The error bars of each data set are adjusted by

$$e' = k(e^2 + e_{\min})^{1/2}. \quad (1)$$



**Figure 3.** Light curve of OGLE-2006-BLG-450. With additional data covering the caustic exit, finite-source effects are detected.



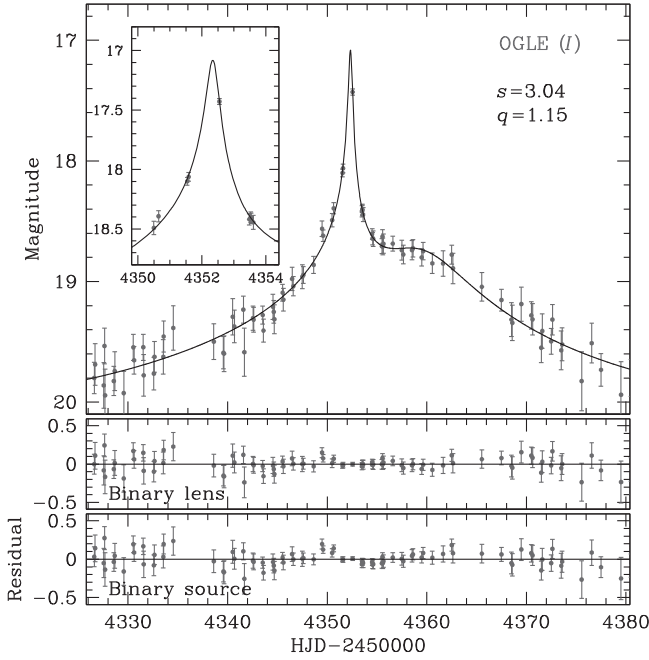
**Figure 4.** Light curve of OGLE-2007-BLG-159. The two lower panels show the residuals from the binary-lens and binary-source models.

Here  $e_{\min}$  is a term introduced so that the cumulative distribution function of  $\chi^2$  as a function of lensing magnification becomes linear. This factor is needed to ensure that the dispersion of data points is consistent with the error bars of the source brightness. The other term  $k$  is a scaling factor used to make  $\chi^2$  per degree of freedom (dof) unity. This process is needed to ensure that each data set is fairly weighted according to its error bars.

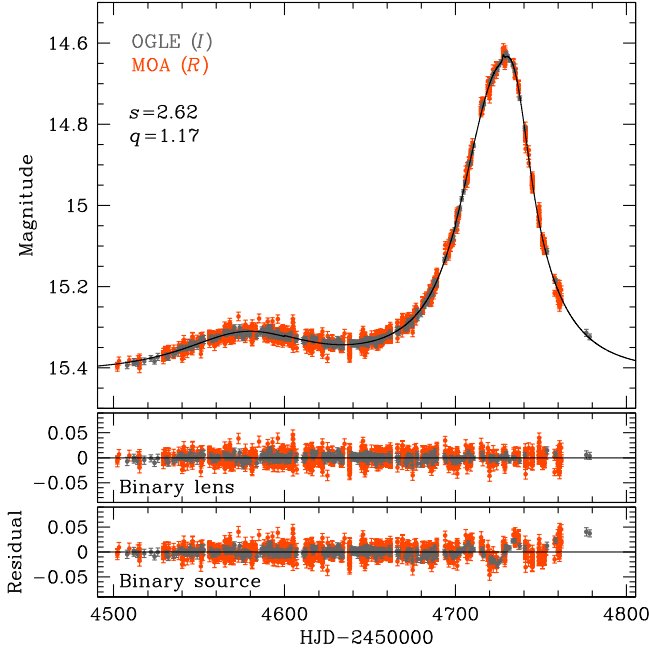
### 3. ANALYSIS

Light curves of binary-lens events are generally characterized by distinct sharp spikes occurring at the moments of



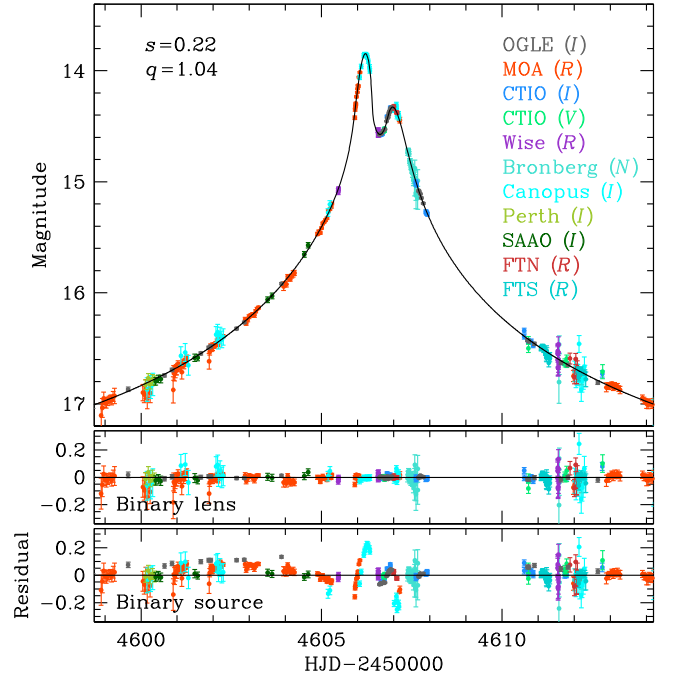


**Figure 5.** Light curve of OGLE-2007-BLG-491. Notations are same as in Figure 1. The two lower panels show the residuals from the binary-lens and binary-source models.



**Figure 6.** Light curve of OGLE-2008-BLG-143. The two lower panels show the residuals from the binary-lens and binary-source models. Due to the long time gap between the two bumps at HJD  $\sim 2454580$  and  $\sim 2454730$ , the lens parallax effect is detected.

caustic crossings. For events with such features (OGLE-2006-BLG-215, OGLE-2006-BLG-238, OGLE-2006-BLG-450, and OGLE-2008-BLG-513), we conduct binary-lens analyses. On the other hand, light curves of binary-lens events without caustic crossings do not exhibit such features and the resulting anomalies can often be imitated by those of binary-source events. For such events (OGLE-2007-BLG-159, OGLE-2007-BLG-491, OGLE-2008-BLG-143, and OGLE-2008-BLG-210), we conduct both binary-source and binary-lens analyses.



**Figure 7.** Light curve of OGLE-2008-BLG-210. The two lower panels show the residuals from the binary-lens and binary-source models. With the data covering the two central bumps produced by caustic crossings, finite-source effects are detected.

In the analyses, we consider higher-order effects. The first such effect is caused by the finite size of the source star. For binary-lens events, this effect is important for caustic-crossing parts of the light curve where lensing magnifications vary abruptly with a small change of the source position and thus differential magnification on the surface of the source star becomes important. Among the analyzed binary-lens events, caustic crossings were resolved by the OGLE data for only one event (OGLE-2006-BLG-215), while caustics were resolved with combined data for all caustic-crossing events. We also consider the effects caused by the parallax motion of the Earth and the orbital motion of lenses. These effects are important for long timescale events where the duration of the event is equivalent to the orbital period of the Earth and lenses.

Modeling lensing events requires parameters that describe observed light curves. The light curve of a single-lens event is described by three parameters. They are the time of the closest approach of the source to the reference position of the lens,  $t_0$ , the lens-source separation at that moment,  $u_0$  (impact parameter), and the event timescale,  $t_E$ , which is defined as the time for the source to cross the Einstein radius of the lens. The Einstein radius is related to the physical parameters of the lens system by

$$\theta_E = (\kappa M \pi_{\text{rel}})^{1/2}; \pi_{\text{rel}} = \text{AU} \left( \frac{1}{D_L} - \frac{1}{D_S} \right), \quad (2)$$

where  $\kappa = 4 G / (c^2 \text{AU})$ ,  $M$  is the total mass of the lens,  $\pi_{\text{rel}}$  is the relative source-lens parallax, and  $D_L$  and  $D_S$  are the distances to the lens and source, respectively. The Einstein radius is used as a length scale in describing lensing phenomenon and  $u_0$  is normalized by  $\theta_E$ .

The light curve of a binary-source event corresponds to the linear sum of the fluxes from the two single-source events

involved with the individual source stars. Then, describing the light curve requires two values of  $t_0$  ( $t_{0,1}$  and  $t_{0,2}$ ) and  $u_0$  ( $u_{0,1}$  and  $u_{0,2}$ ) but a single timescale because it is related only to the lens. One additional parameter is the flux ratio  $q_F$  between the source components.

In order to model a binary-lens event, additional parameters are needed to describe the lens binarity. They are the projected separation  $s$  and the mass ratio  $q$  between the lens components. We note that the separation is normalized by  $\theta_E$ . Due to the lens binarity, positions around the lens are no longer radially symmetric. Then, one needs an additional parameter  $\alpha$  designating the angle between the source trajectory and the line connecting the binary lens components (source trajectory angle).

In order to consider higher-order effects, one also needs additional parameters. Accounting for finite-source effects requires a parameter defined as the angular source radius  $\theta_*$  expressed in units of the Einstein radius  $\theta_E$ ,  $\rho = \theta_*/\theta_E$  (normalized source radius). Considering parallax effects requires two parameters  $\pi_{E,N}$  and  $\pi_{E,E}$  that are the north and east components of the lens parallax vector,  $\pi_E$ , projected on the sky in the north and east equatorial coordinates, respectively. The lens parallax vector is defined as

$$\pi_E = \frac{\pi_{\text{rel}}}{\theta_E} \frac{\boldsymbol{\mu}}{\mu}, \quad (3)$$

where  $\boldsymbol{\mu}$  represents the vector of the relative lens–source proper motion. In order to account for lens-orbital effects, one needs two parameters including the change rates of the projected binary separation,  $ds/dt$ , and the source trajectory angle,  $d\alpha/dt$ . When either the parallax or the lens-orbital effects are considered, we test two solutions with the lens–source impact parameters  $u_0 > 0$  and  $u_0 < 0$  in order to check the known “ecliptic degeneracy” (Skowron et al. 2011).

In our analysis, we search for the set of the lensing parameters that best describes the observed light curves. For binary-source modeling where lensing magnifications vary smoothly with the parameters, searching for lensing solutions is done by minimizing  $\chi^2$  using a downhill approach. For the downhill approach, we use the Markov Chain Monte Carlo method. For binary-lens modeling, on the other hand, the search is done through multiple steps. In the first step, we inspect local minima by exploring  $\chi^2$  surface in the parameter space. For this, we conduct a grid search for a subset of the lensing parameters. We choose  $(s, q, \alpha)$  as grid parameters because lensing magnifications can vary dramatically with small changes of these parameters. On the other hand, lensing magnifications vary smoothly with the changes of the other parameters and thus we search for these parameters by using a downhill approach. In the second step, we refine each local minimum by letting all lensing parameters vary around the minimum. In the final step, we find the global minimum by comparing the  $\chi^2$  values of the identified local minima. This multiple-step process allows one to check the existence of possible degenerate solutions that cause confusion in the interpretation of the observed light curves.

In computing finite-source magnifications, we consider the limb-darkening variation of source stars. For this, we model the surface brightness profile of the source star as

$$S_\lambda \propto 1 - \Gamma_\lambda(1 - 1.5 \cos \psi), \quad (4)$$

where  $\Gamma_\lambda$  is the limb-darkening coefficient and  $\psi$  is the angle between the line of sight toward the source center and the normal to the source surface. We adopt the limb-darkening coefficients from Claret (2000) based on the source types that are determined from the de-reddened color and brightness of the source stars measured by using the multi-band ( $V$  and  $I$ ) data taken from CTIO observation. Among the six caustic-crossing events, there exist multi-band data for three events and thus the source types are able to be determined. For OGLE-2006-BLG-215 and OGLE-2006-BLG-450, which were observed in  $I$  band only, we adopt  $\Gamma_I = 0.5$  by taking the median value of bulge stars.

#### 4. RESULT

In Table 3, we present the best-fit lensing parameters obtained from modeling. In order to present lensing parameters of all events in a single table, we do not present the value of  $t_0$  that has no physical meaning in describing a lens system. It is found that all eight analyzed events are interpreted to be caused by binary lenses. The model light curves corresponding to the best-fit solutions of the individual events are superposed on the light curves in Figures 1 through 8.

We find that the previous binary-source interpretations of five events are better interpreted by binary-lens models. These events include OGLE-2006-BLG-238, OGLE-2007-BLG-159, OGLE-2007-BLG-491, OGLE-2008-BLG-143, and OGLE-2008-BLG-210.

With additional data covering caustic crossings, we additionally detect finite-source effects for six events. These events include OGLE-2006-BLG-215, OGLE-2006-BLG-238, OGLE-2006-BLG-450, OGLE-2008-BLG-143, OGLE-2008-BLG-210, and OGLE-2008-BLG-513. Among them, we are able to measure the Einstein radii of three events for which multi-band data are available and thus source types are known from color information. These events are OGLE-2006-BLG-238, OGLE-2008-BLG-210, and OGLE-2008-BLG-513. The Einstein radius is measured by  $\theta_E = \theta_*/\rho$ , where the angular source radius  $\theta_*$  is estimated from the de-reddened color and brightness of the source star and the normalized source radius  $\rho$  is measured from modeling the light curve. The source radius is determined following the method of Yoo et al. (2004), where we first locate the source star on the color–magnitude diagram of stars in the field and then calibrate the de-reddened color and brightness of the source star by using the centroid of the red clump giants as a reference under the assumption that the source and red clump giants experience the same amount of extinction and reddening.

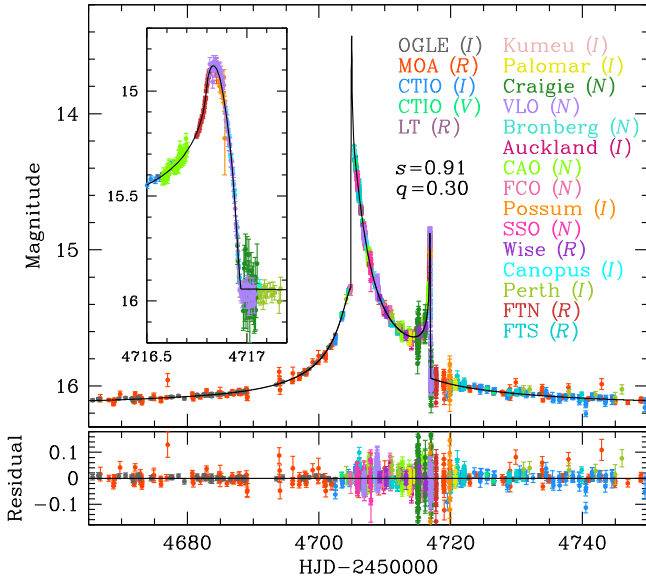
From the inspection of additional higher-order effects, we detect a clear signature of parallax effects for OGLE-2008-BLG-143. For OGLE-2006-BLG-215, we initially detect both parallax and lens-orbital effects from the analysis based on the online data, but find that the signals of these higher-order effects are spurious based on the analysis of the re-reduced data.

Finally, we identify additional solutions caused by the known degeneracy for three events. For OGLE-2006-BLG-238 and OGLE-2007-BLG-491, we identify degenerate solutions caused by the “close/wide” degeneracy. This degeneracy is caused by the symmetry of the lens-mapping equations between the binary lenses with separations  $s$  and  $s^{-1}$  (Griest

**Table 3**  
Binary Lens Parameters of Newly Analyzed Events

Event	Solution	$\chi^2/\text{dof}$	$u_0$	$t_E$ (days)	$s$	$q$	$\alpha$ (rad)	$\rho$ ( $10^{-3}$ )	$\pi_{E,N}$	$\pi_{E,E}$
OGLE-2006-BLG-215		1628.3 /1552	0.468 $\pm 0.008$	27.4 $\pm 0.4$	1.01 $\pm 0.01$	1.09 $\pm 0.05$	5.828 $\pm 0.009$	9.07 $\pm 0.21$	...	...
OGLE-2006-BLG-238/ MOA-2006-BLG-26	$s < 1$	2177.6 /2151	0.079 $\pm 0.008$	14.9 $\pm 0.8$	0.90 $\pm 0.01$	0.08 $\pm 0.01$	1.687 $\pm 0.023$	1.86 $\pm 0.26$	...	...
	$s > 1$	2163.7 /2151	0.068 $\pm 0.008$	15.3 $\pm 0.8$	1.33 $\pm 0.02$	0.12 $\pm 0.01$	1.651 $\pm 0.010$	2.44 $\pm 0.35$	...	...
OGLE-2006-BLG-450		1008.8 /1007	0.139 $\pm 0.012$	8.6 $\pm 0.2$	0.90 $\pm 0.01$	0.59 $\pm 0.03$	1.258 $\pm 0.021$	10.31 $\pm 0.41$	...	...
OGLE-2007-BLG-159		1634.7 /1639	0.684 $\pm 0.008$	18.0 $\pm 0.2$	1.10 $\pm 0.01$	1.61 $\pm 0.05$	-0.331 $\pm 0.004$	...	...	...
OGLE-2007-BLG-491	$s < 1$	910.2 /904	0.244 $\pm 0.035$	32.1 $\pm 3.2$	0.61 $\pm 0.03$	0.35 $\pm 0.08$	3.774 $\pm 0.073$	...	...	...
	$s > 1$	907.0 /904	0.090 $\pm 0.019$	61.0 $\pm 5.6$	3.04 $\pm 0.35$	1.15 $\pm 0.35$	3.483 $\pm 0.053$	...	...	...
OGLE-2008-BLG-143/ MOA-2008-BLG-111	$u_0 > 0$	4598.8 /4786	0.191 $\pm 0.002$	62.9 $\pm 0.4$	2.62 $\pm 0.02$	1.17 $\pm 0.05$	2.566 $\pm 0.005$	15.34 $\pm 1.16$	0.19 $\pm 0.01$	0.16 $\pm 0.01$
	$u_0 < 0$	4606.9 /4786	-0.202 $\pm 0.002$	60.5 $\pm 0.5$	2.70 $\pm 0.02$	1.31 $\pm 0.04$	-2.578 $\pm 0.005$	16.11 $\pm 1.65$	-0.12 $\pm 0.01$	0.18 $\pm 0.02$
OGLE-2008-BLG-210/ MOA-2008-BLG-177		3436.2 /3480	0.027 $\pm 0.001$	19.3 $\pm 0.2$	0.22 $\pm 0.01$	1.04 $\pm 0.05$	5.265 $\pm 0.006$	12.32 $\pm 0.24$	...	...
OGLE-2008-BLG-513/ MOA-2008-BLG-401		4951.7 /4972	0.079 $\pm 0.001$	35.4 $\pm 0.5$	0.91 $\pm 0.01$	0.30 $\pm 0.01$	5.590 $\pm 0.003$	2.38 $\pm 0.03$	...	...

**Note.** For OGLE-2008-BLG-143, two solutions resulting from the ecliptic degeneracy (with  $u_0 > 0$  and  $u_0 < 0$ ) are presented. For each of OGLE-2006-BLG-238, OGLE-2007-BLG-491, and OGLE-2008-BLG-210, two solutions resulting from the close/wide degeneracy (with  $s < 1$  and  $s > 1$ ) are presented.



**Figure 8.** Light curve of OGLE-2008-BLG-513. With dense coverage of the caustic exit by the additional data, finite-source effects are detected.

& Safizadeh 1998; Dominik 1999; An 2005). For OGLE-2008-BLG-143, we identify degenerate solutions caused by the ecliptic degeneracy. This degeneracy is caused by the mirror symmetry between the source trajectories with  $u_0 > 0$  and  $u_0 < 0$  with respect to the binary axis.

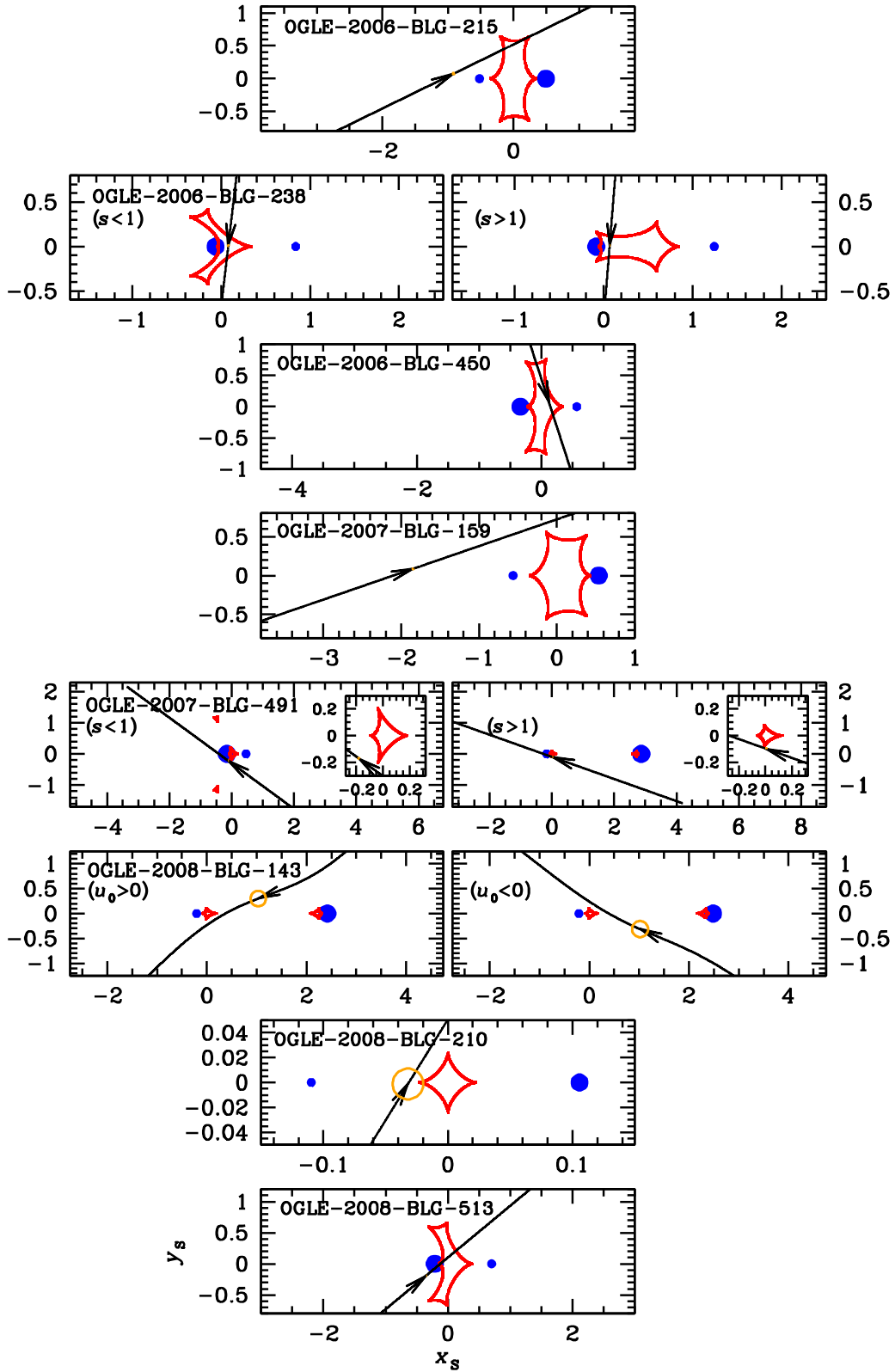
Below we describe details of the results from our analyses of the individual events. We then compare the results with those from the previous analyses.

#### 4.1. OGLE-2006-BLG-215

We find that the event was produced by the crossings of a source star over a single big caustic produced by a binary lens with a projected separation similar to the Einstein radius, i.e.,  $s \sim 1$  (resonant binary). For typical caustic-crossing events, the light curve within the two successive caustic crossings has a “U” shape, but the light curve of this event exhibits deviations from this shape. We find that the deviation was produced by the asymptotic approach of the source trajectory to the caustic line. See the source trajectory and caustic configuration presented in Figure 9. The previous interpretation of the event is basically the same as our interpretation.

From the initial analysis using the online data, we find that the light curve is affected by both parallax and lens-orbital effects. From the additional analysis using the re-reduced data, however, we find that the signature of these higher-order effects is a false positive caused by the poor photometry, suggesting the need for careful analysis in detecting subtle higher-order effects. In Figure 1, we present the residuals from the online and re-reduced data.

The caustic-crossing part of the light curve was densely resolved and thus the normalized source radius is precisely measured. However, there exists no multi-band data required to



**Figure 9.** Caustic structures and source trajectories for the lensing solutions of the binary-lens events presented in Figures 1 through 8. In each panel, the two filled dots represent the positions of the binary lens components where the bigger dot is the higher-mass component. The closed curves with cusps represent the caustics. The curve with an arrow is the source trajectory. For events with identified degenerate solutions, we present two sets of the lens-system geometry corresponding to the individual solutions. All lengths are scaled by the Einstein radius corresponding to the total mass of the lens.



estimate the angular source radius and thus the Einstein radius cannot be measured.

#### 4.2. OGLE-2006-BLG-238

In addition to the OGLE group, the event was observed by many other groups and the MOA group designated the event MOA-2006-BLG-26. In the OGLE Anomaly Catalog, this event was interpreted as a binary-source event. With the addition of follow-up data, especially the SAAO data set covering the caustic exit, it is clear that the event was produced by a binary lens. We find that a binary-lens interpretation is better than the binary-source interpretation by  $\Delta\chi^2 = 5233.4$ . See the residuals from the binary-lens and binary-source models presented in the lower two panels of Figure 2. From modeling the light curve including additional follow-up data, it is found that the event was produced by the source crossings over the single big caustic of a resonant binary. See Figure 9 for the source trajectory with respect to the caustic.

With the coverage of the caustic crossing by the SAAO data and multi-band data obtained from CTIO observation, we measure the Einstein radius of the lens system. The measured de-reddened color and brightness of the source stars are  $(V - I, I)_0 = (1.24, 17.7)$ , which correspond to a K-type Bulge subgiant with  $\theta_* = 1.66 \pm 0.14 \mu\text{as}$ . With the measured normalized source radius  $\rho = (2.44 \pm 0.35) \times 10^{-3}$ , then, the Einstein radius is  $\theta_E = 0.68 \pm 0.12 \text{ mas}$ .

We find that there exist two local solutions resulting from the close/wide degeneracy. The degeneracy is quite severe and the wide-binary solution ( $s > 1$ ) is preferred over the close-binary solution ( $s < 1$ ) by merely  $\Delta\chi^2 = 13.9$ . We present the lensing parameters of both close and wide binary solutions and the corresponding lens-system geometry in Table 3 and Figure 9, respectively. Due to the short timescale of the event,  $t_E \sim 15.3$  days, neither parallax nor lens-orbital effect is measured.

#### 4.3. OGLE-2006-BLG-450

It is found that this event was also produced by a binary lens with a resonant separation similar to the previous two events. See Figure 9 for the source trajectory with respect to the caustic. The interpretation is basically the same as the previous one. Compared to the previous analysis, we additionally measure the normalized source radius because the caustic exit of the event was resolved by the data from the Canopus observation. See Figure 3. However, there exists no multi-band data and thus the Einstein radius cannot be measured.

#### 4.4. OGLE-2007-BLG-159

The event was interpreted as a binary-source event in the previous analysis. From our analysis with additional follow-up data that cover the bump at HJD  $\sim 2454227$  and the falling part of the light curve, we find that the light curve is better interpreted by a binary-lens event. The  $\chi^2$  difference between the binary-lens and binary-source models is  $\Delta\chi^2 = 611.6$ . See also the residuals from the two models presented in the two lower panels of Figure 4.

We find that the event was produced by the source approaching the cusp of a big caustic produced by a resonant binary. See Figure 9 for the caustic configuration and the source trajectory. Since the source did not cross the caustic,

finite-source effects are not detected. The event timescale is short,  $t_E \sim 18.0$  days, and thus the parallax effect is not detected either.

#### 4.5. OGLE-2007-BLG-491

The light curve of the event is characterized by two bumps: a strong bump at HJD  $\sim 2454352$  and a weak bump at HJD  $\sim 2454360$ . The event was previously interpreted as a binary-source event. From our analysis, however, it is found that the event is better interpreted by a binary-lens model. The  $\chi^2$  difference between the binary-lens and binary-source models is  $\Delta\chi^2 = 35.3$ . See the residual from the two models in Figure 5. According to the binary-lens model, the strong bump was produced by the source crossing over the tip of a small caustic and the weak bump was produced by the source passing around another cusp of the caustic. See Figure 9.

We find a pair of degenerate solutions caused by the close/wide degeneracy. The degeneracy is severe with  $\Delta\chi^2 = 3.2$ . We present the lensing parameters and the configurations of the lens system of the two degenerate solutions in Table 3 and Figure 9, respectively. Although the source trajectory crossed the tip of the caustic, the observational cadence during the caustic crossing is not high enough to yield reliable detection of finite-source effects. Other higher-order effects are not detected either.

#### 4.6. OGLE-2008-BLG-143

The event was discovered and monitored not only by the OGLE survey but also by the MOA survey. The event was dubbed MOA-2008-BLG-111 by the MOA group.

The light curve of the event is characterized by two bumps that are separated by  $\sim 150$  days. Previous analysis interpreted that the event was produced by a binary source. However, we find that the binary-lens interpretation better fits the light curve than the binary-source interpretation with  $\Delta\chi^2 = 617.1$ . See the residual from the two models presented in Figure 6.

According to the best-fit binary-lens model, the event was produced by a wide binary with a projected separation  $s \sim 2.6$  between the lens components and the two bumps were produced by the successive approaches of the source to the individual lens components. See Figure 9 for the source trajectory with respect to the lens system.

Due to the long time gap between the two bumps, it is possible to measure higher-order effects. We find that considering the parallax effect improves the fit by  $\Delta\chi^2 = 254.6$ . On the other hand, the effect of the lens-orbital motion is negligible due to the wide separation between the lens components and thus the long orbital period of the binary. The source crossed the tip of the caustic during the second caustic approach and thus finite-source effects are detected. However, no multi-band observation was conducted and thus the Einstein radius cannot be measured.

It is found that the ecliptic degeneracy is severe with  $\Delta\chi^2 = 8.1$ . We present both  $u_0 > 0$  and  $u_0 < 0$  solutions in Table 3. The source trajectories and caustic configurations corresponding to the individual solutions are presented in Figure 9.

#### 4.7. OGLE-2008-BLG-210

The light curve of the event is characterized by two short-term bumps that occurred near the peak. The anomaly is

partially covered by the OGLE data but it is substantially better covered with additional follow-up data. The MOA group also detected the event and dubbed it MOA-2008-BLG-177. The event was interpreted as a binary-source event in the previous analysis based on only the OGLE data.

By conducting both binary-source and binary-lens modeling with combined data, we find that the light curve is better explained by a binary-lens interpretation. The  $\chi^2$  difference between the two models is  $\Delta\chi^2 = 6045.6$ . See the residuals from the individual models presented in Figure 7.

We find two local solutions resulting from the close/wide degeneracy. The degeneracy is severe with  $\Delta\chi^2 = 32.5$ . For the close-binary solution, the lensing parameters are well defined with  $s = 0.22$  and  $q = 1.04$ . On the other hand, the lensing parameters of the wide-binary solution are very uncertain because the lens is in the Chang–Refsdal regime ( $s \gg 1$ ), where continuous degeneracy with different combinations of  $s$  and  $q$  exists (Kim et al. 2008). Due to large uncertainties of the wide-binary parameters, we present only the solution of the close-binary model in Table 3. For the binary with a separation  $s \ll 1$  or  $s \gg 1$ , the resulting caustic has an astroid shape with four cusps. The central anomaly in the light curve was produced by the source crossings over the two cusps of the astroid-shape caustic. See Figure 9.

Since the source crossed the caustic and the caustic crossing was densely resolved, finite-source effects are clearly detected. Combined with the de-reddened color and brightness of the source star ( $V - I, I_0 = (1.09, 16.3)$ ) determined based on the multi-band data taken from CTIO observation, we estimate that the angular source radius  $\theta_* = 2.67 \pm 0.19 \mu\text{as}$ . Combined with the normalized source radius  $\rho$ , we estimate the angular Einstein radius  $\theta_E = 0.22 \pm 0.02 \text{ mas}$ . Neither parallax nor lens-orbital effect is detected due to the short timescale,  $t_E \sim 19.3$  days, of the event.

#### 4.8. OGLE-2008-BLG-513

The light curve of the event exhibits obvious caustic-crossing features at HJD  $\sim 2454705$  and  $\sim 2454717$ . Besides the OGLE data, the event was observed from 18 observatories including the MOA survey and these additional data densely cover the caustic exit. The event was dubbed as MOA-2008-BLG-401 in the MOA event list. Our analysis of the light curve is consistent with the previous one where the event was produced by the source crossing over the caustic of a resonant binary.

With additional data covering the caustic exit, finite-source effects are clearly detected and the normalized source radius is precisely measured. With multi-band data from CTIO observation, we estimate the angular source radius as  $\theta_* = 0.88 \pm 0.06 \mu\text{as}$  based on the de-reddened color and magnitude ( $V - I, I_0 = (0.16, 16.7)$ ), resulting in the measured Einstein radius  $\theta_E = 0.37 \pm 0.03 \text{ mas}$ . We note that the measured source color is very atypical for Bulge stars. This indicates the possibility that the source might be in the Disk not in the Bulge. If this is the case, the de-reddened and brightness cannot be estimated based on the Bulge clump giants because the source and Bulge giants experience different amount of reddening and extinction.

Modeling including parallax effects yields a slightly improved fit to the overall data. However, the improvement is marginal with  $\Delta\chi^2 \sim 31$ . Furthermore, while the parallax model provides a better fit to the MOA data, it provides a

**Table 4**  
Ranges of the Lens Mass and Distance

Event	Mass ( $M_\odot$ )		Distance (kpc)
	Primary	Companion	
OGLE-2006-BLG-215	$0.38 \pm 0.23$	$0.11 \pm 0.07$	$6.36 \pm 1.52$
OGLE-2006-BLG-238/MOA-2006-BLG-26	$0.41 \pm 0.22$	$0.11 \pm 0.06$	$4.81 \pm 1.09$
OGLE-2006-BLG-450	$0.19 \pm 0.13$	$0.03 \pm 0.02$	$7.28 \pm 1.25$
OGLE-2007-BLG-159	$0.29 \pm 0.19$	$0.07 \pm 0.05$	$6.71 \pm 1.40$
OGLE-2007-BLG-491	$0.49 \pm 0.28$	$0.18 \pm 0.10$	$5.63 \pm 1.98$
OGLE-2008-BLG-143/MOA-2008-BLG-111	$0.36 \pm 0.19$	$0.30 \pm 0.16$	$6.78 \pm 0.90$
OGLE-2008-BLG-210/MOA-2008-BLG-177	$0.26 \pm 0.17$	$0.05 \pm 0.04$	$7.35 \pm 0.93$
OGLE-2008-BLG-513/MOA-2008-BLG-401	$0.45 \pm 0.19$	$0.10 \pm 0.04$	$6.98 \pm 0.93$

poorer fit to the OGLE data. Therefore, we judge that the marginal improvement by the parallax model is mostly ascribed to the systematics of data.

#### 4.9. Physical Lens Parameters

Among the analyzed events, there is no event for which both the Einstein radius and the lens parallax are simultaneously measured and thus the mass and distance to the lens are uniquely measured. Nevertheless, it is still possible to constrain the physical lens parameters based on the event timescale. For events where either the Einstein radius or the lens parallax is additionally measured, the physical parameters can be better constrained.

To estimate the ranges of the mass and distance to each lens, we conduct Bayesian analysis based on the mass function, and spatial and velocity distributions of Galactic stars (Han & Gould 1995). In Table 4, we present the estimated ranges of the physical lens parameters. Note that the masses of the binary companions of the lens for the events OGLE-2006-BLG-450, OGLE-2008-BLG-210 are in the brown-dwarf regime. For OGLE-2007-BLG-159, the companion mass is at the star/brown-dwarf boundary.

## 5. CONCLUSION

We reanalyzed anomalous lensing events in the OGLE-III EWS database. With the addition of data from other survey and follow-up observations, we conducted a thorough search for possible degenerate solutions and investigated higher-order effects. Among the analyzed events, we presented analyses of eight events for which either new solutions were identified by resolving the degeneracy in lensing solutions or additional information was obtained by detecting higher-order effects. We found that the previous binary-source interpretations of five events (OGLE-2006-BLG-238, OGLE-2007-BLG-159, OGLE-2007-BLG-491, OGLE-2008-BLG-143, and OGLE-2008-BLG-210) were better interpreted by binary-lens models. In addition, we detected finite-source effects for six events (OGLE-2006-BLG-215, OGLE-2006-BLG-238, OGLE-2006-BLG-450, OGLE-2008-BLG-143, OGLE-2008-BLG-210, and OGLE-2008-BLG-513) with additional data covering caustic crossings and measure the Einstein radii for three events (OGLE-2006-BLG-238, OGLE-2008-BLG-210, and OGLE-2008-BLG-513). For OGLE-2008-BLG-143, we detect a clear

signature of parallax effects and measure the lens parallax. In addition, we presented degenerate solutions resulting from the known close/wide or ecliptic degeneracy. Finally, we note that the masses of the binary companions of the lenses of OGLE-2006-BLG-450 and OGLE-2008-BLG-210 are likely in the brown-dwarf regime according to the mass ranges estimated by Bayesian analysis.

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